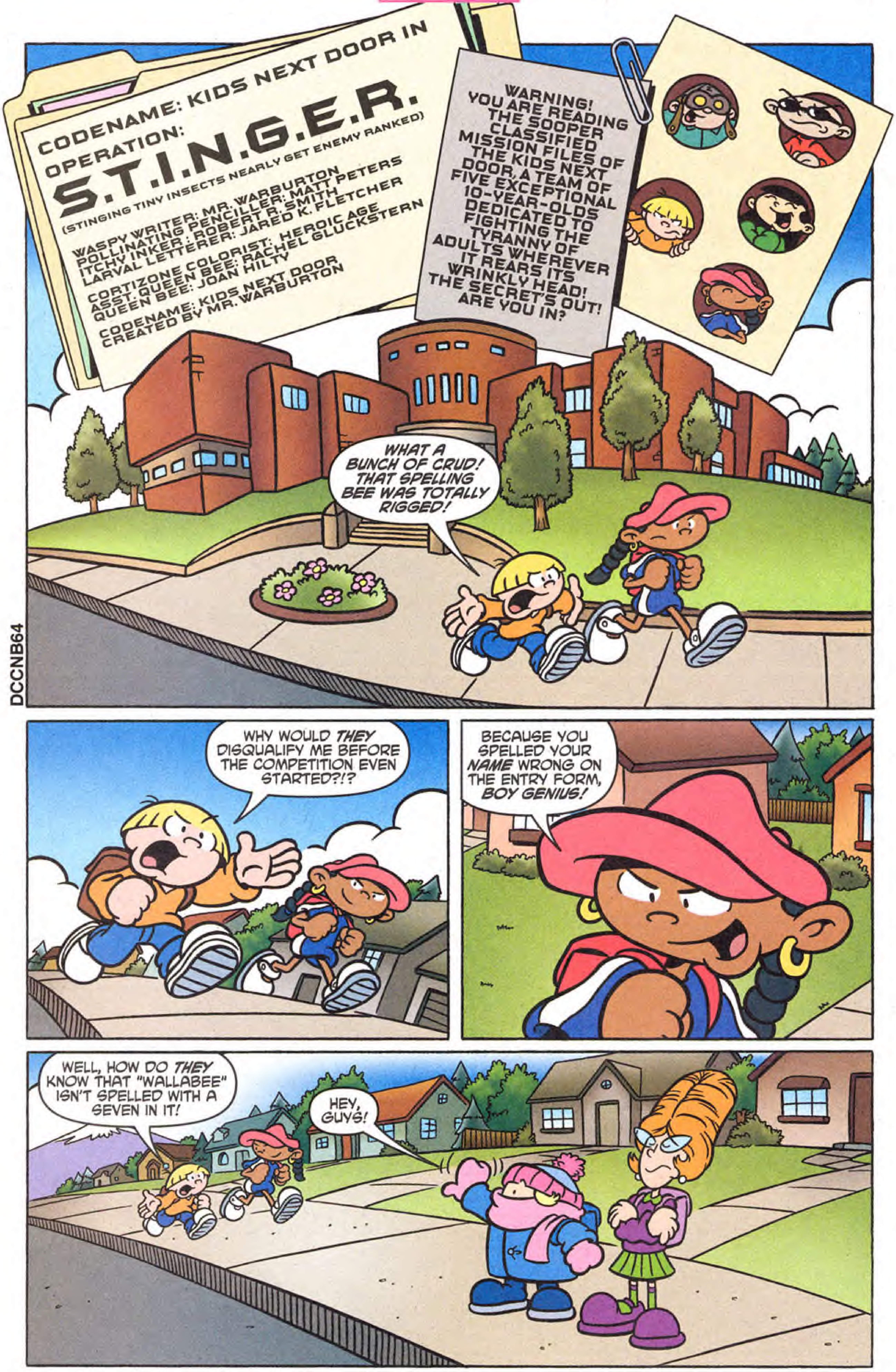
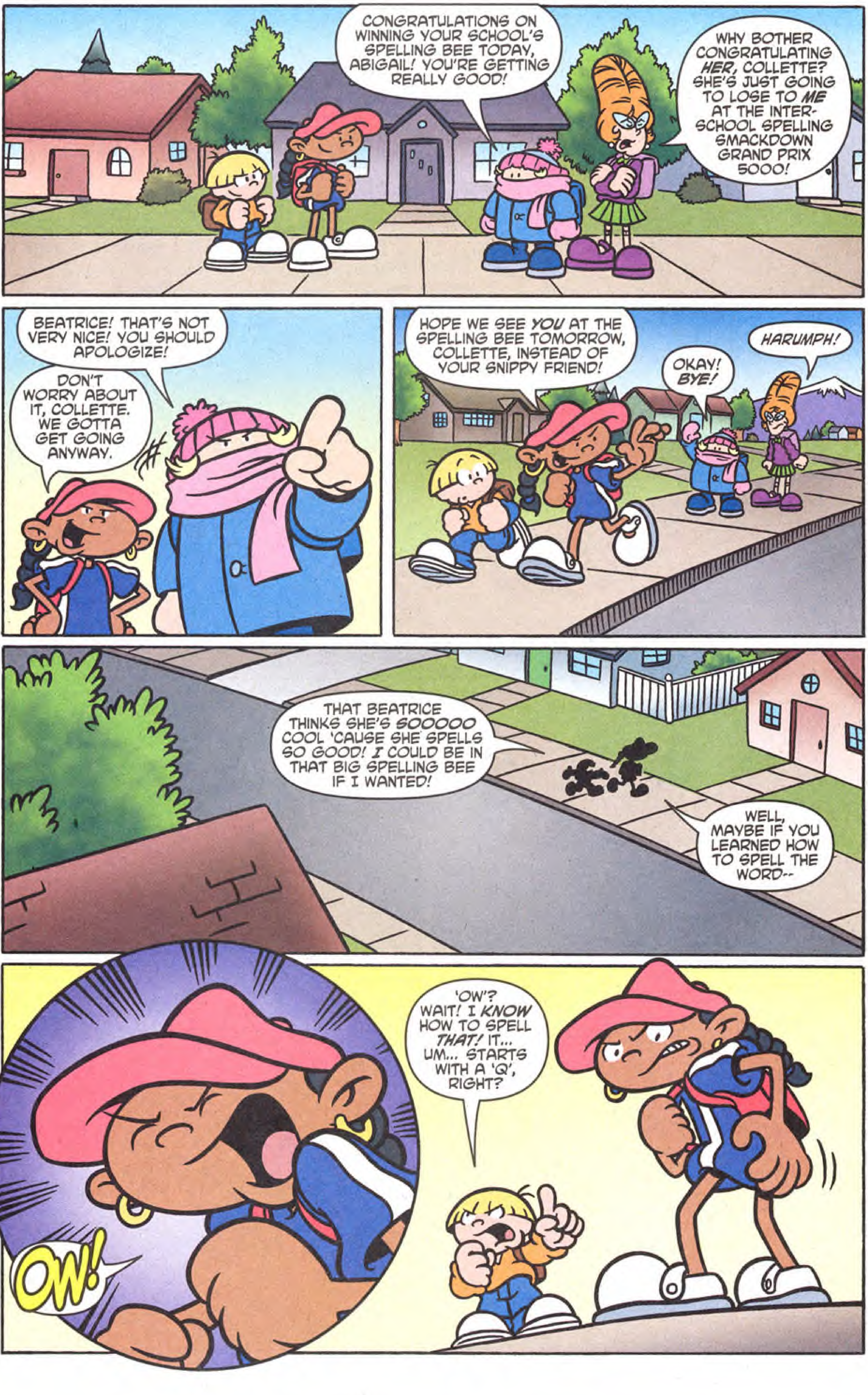
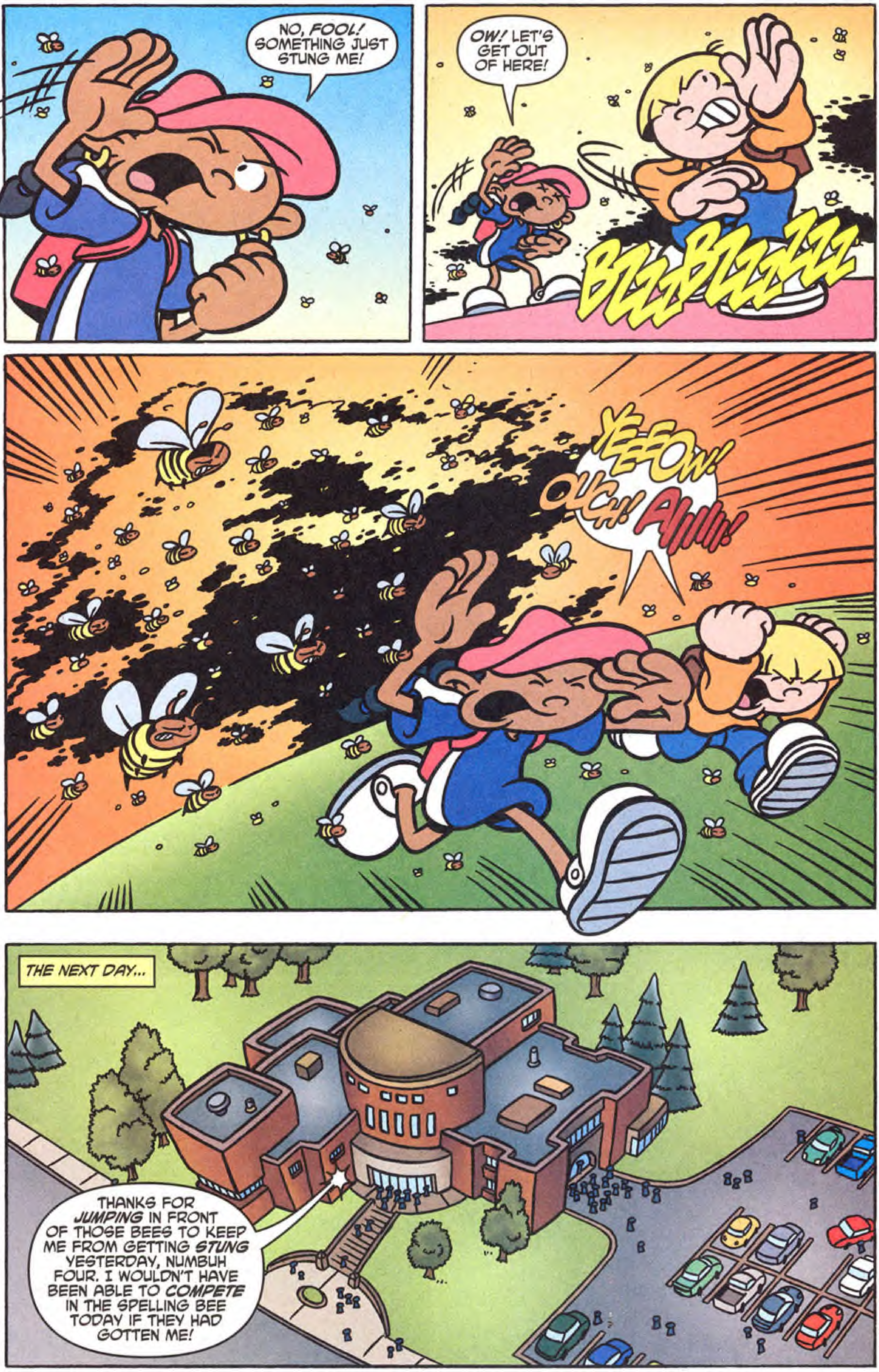

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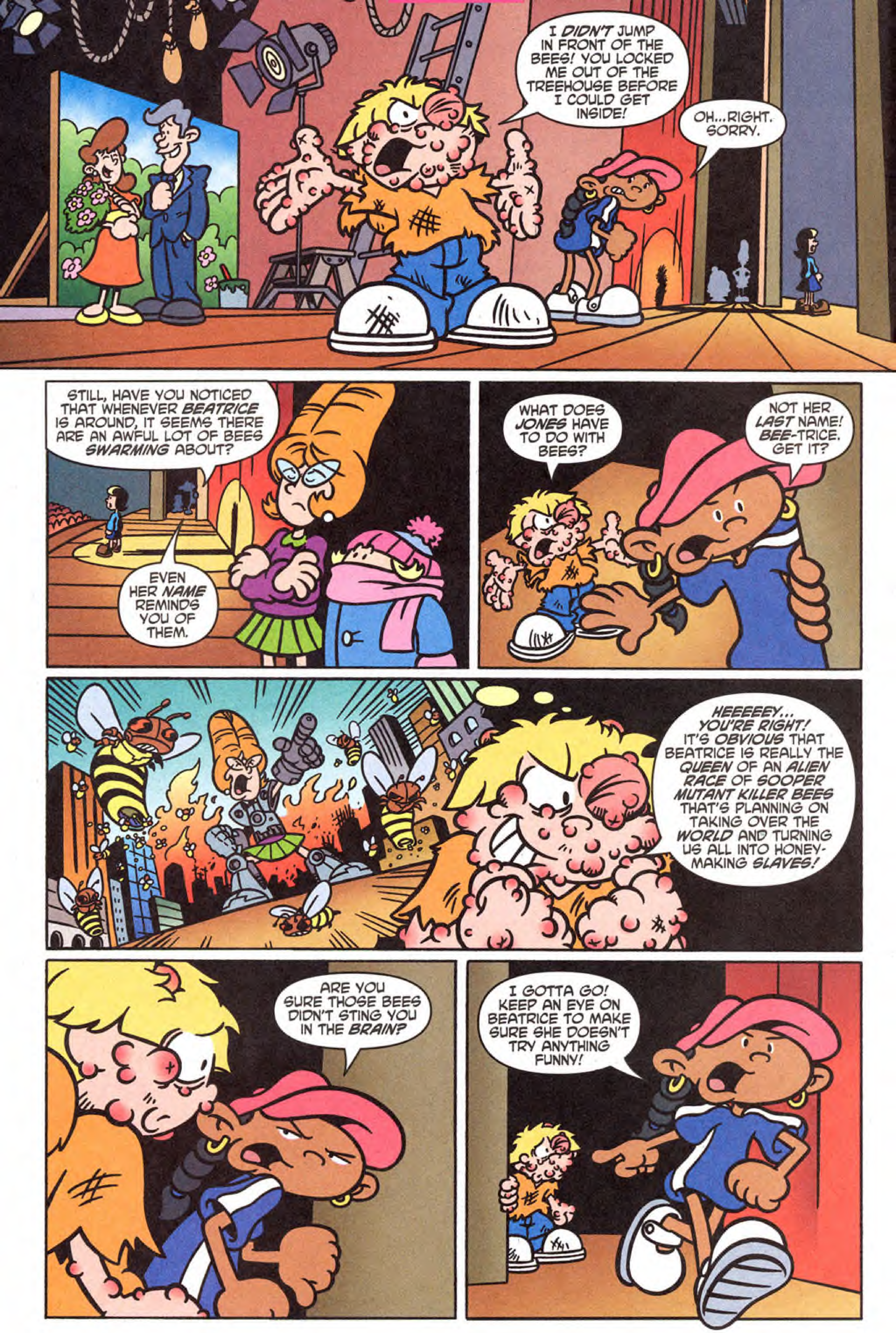


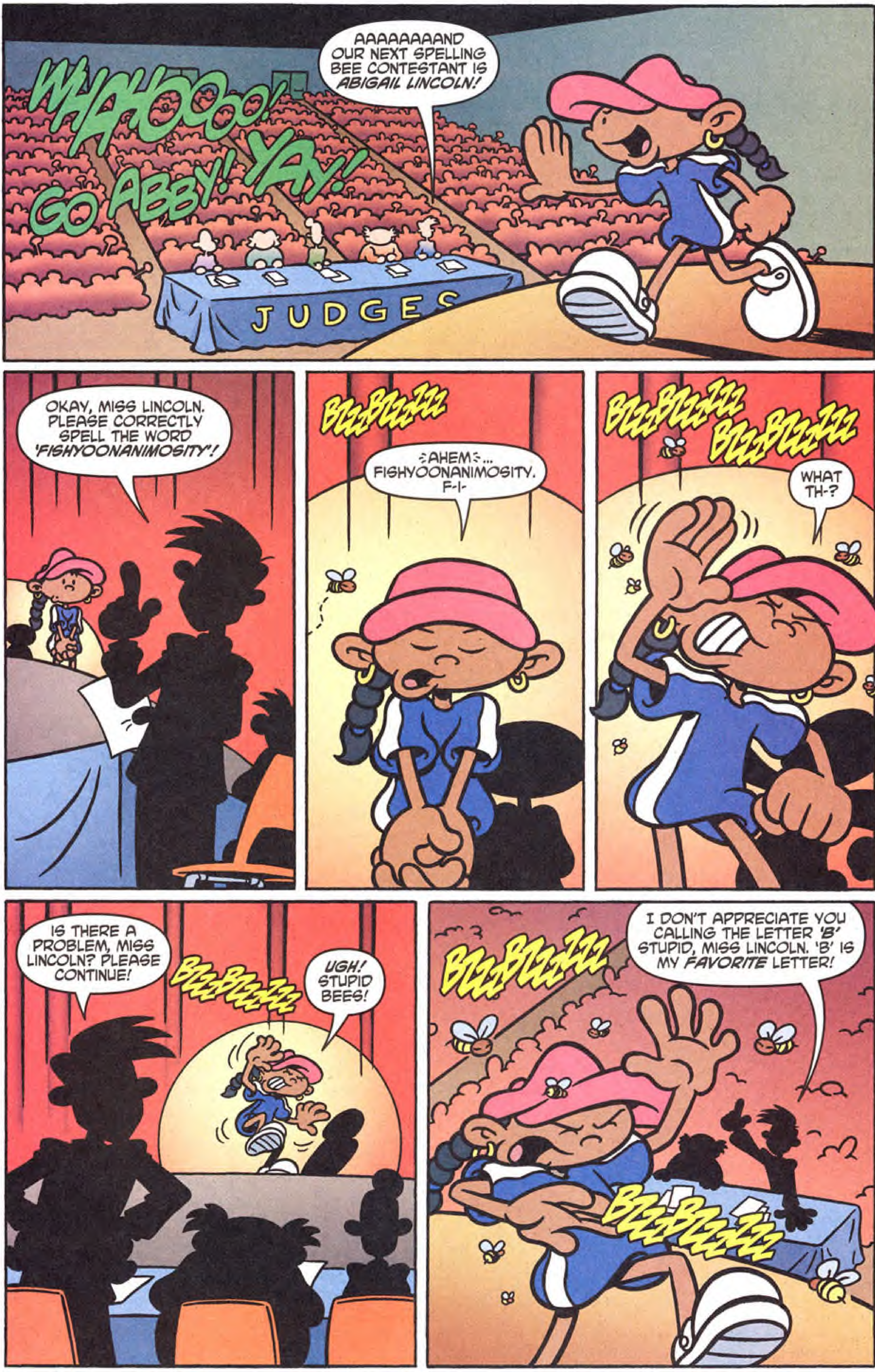
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ASST. QUEEN BEE: RACHEL GLUCKSTERN
QUEEN BEE: JOAN HILTY
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WHAT A BUNCH OF CRUD! THAT SPELLING BEE WAS TOTALLY RIGGED!
DCCNB64
WHY WOULD THEY DISQUALIFY ME BEFORE THE COMPETITION EVEN STARTED?!?
BECAUSE YOU SPELLED YOUR NAME WRONG ON THE ENTRY FORM, BOY GENIUS!
WELL, HOW DO THEY KNOW THAT "WALLABEE" ISN'T SPELLED WITH A SEVEN IN IT!
HEY, GUYS!

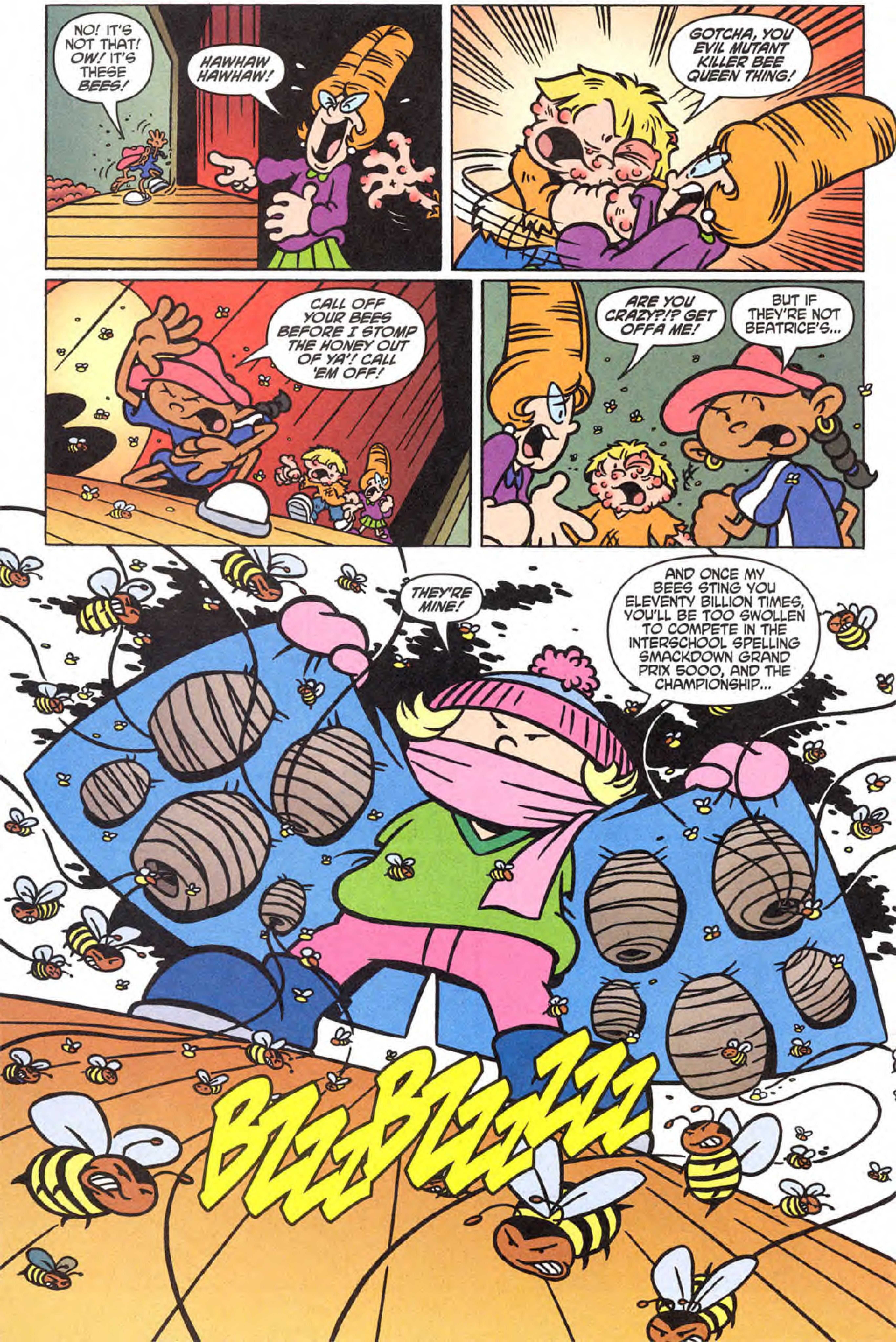


CONGRATULATIONS ON WINNING YOUR SCHOOL'S SPELLING BEE TODAY, ABIGAIL! YOU'RE GETTING REALLY GOOD!
WHY BOTHER CONGRATULATING *HER*, COLLETTE? SHE'S JUST GOING TO LOSE TO *ME* AT THE INTER-SCHOOL SPELLING SMACKDOWN GRAND PRIX SOOO!
BEATRICE! THAT'S NOT VERY NICE! YOU SHOULD APOLOGIZE!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, COLLETTE. WE GOTTA GET GOING ANYWAY.
HOPE WE SEE *YOU* AT THE SPELLING BEE TOMORROW, COLLETTE, INSTEAD OF YOUR SNIPPY FRIEND!
OKAY! *BYE!*
HARUMPH!
THAT BEATRICE THINKS SHE'S *SOOOOO* COOL 'CAUSE SHE SPELLS SO GOOD! *I* COULD BE IN THAT BIG SPELLING BEE IF I WANTED!
WELL, MAYBE IF YOU LEARNED HOW TO SPELL THE WORD--
OW!
'OW'? WAIT! I *KNOW* HOW TO SPELL *THAT!* IT... UM... STARTS WITH A 'Q', RIGHT?

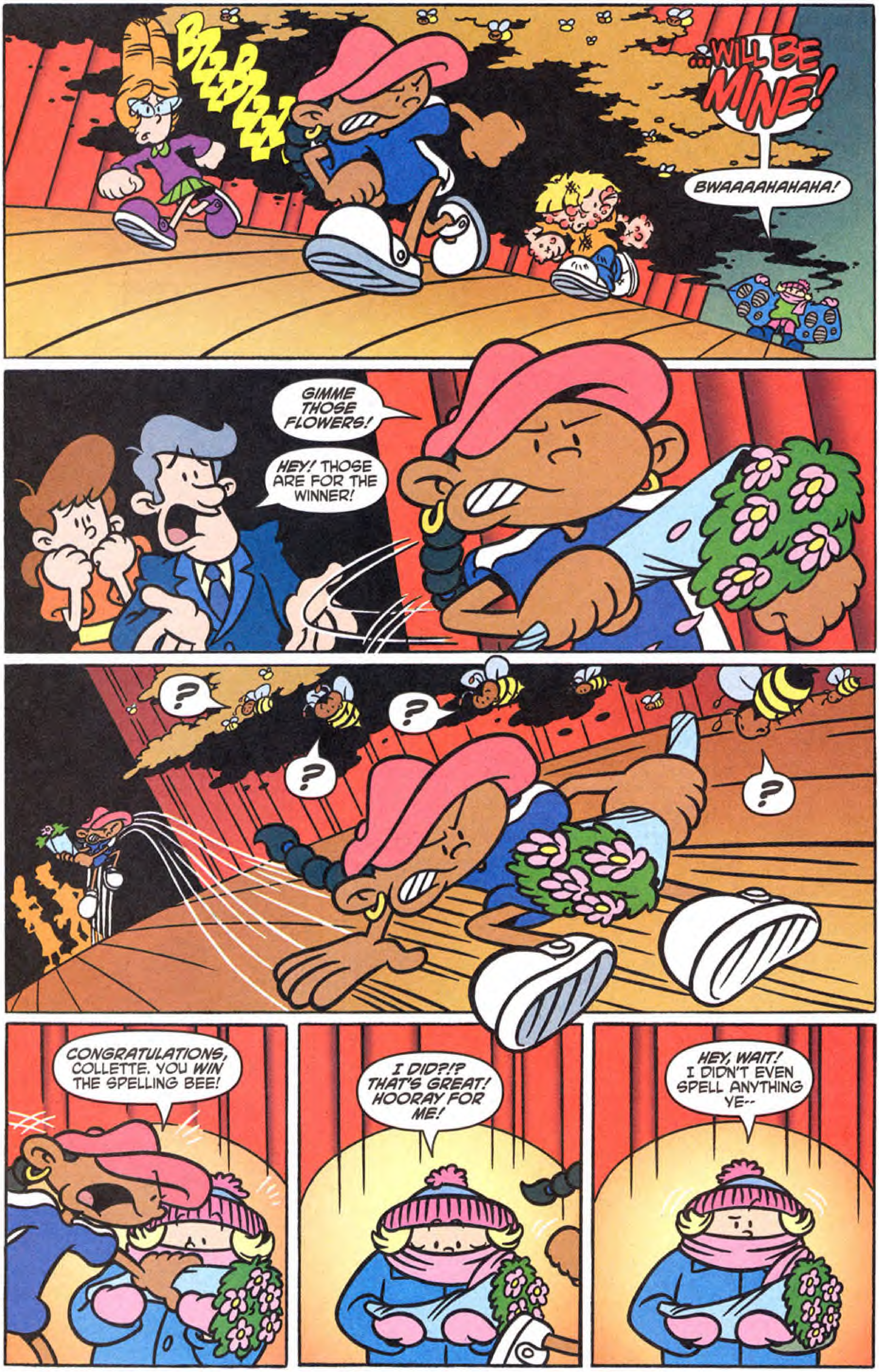

NO, FOOL! SOMETHING JUST STUNG ME!
OW! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
BZZZBZZZZZZ
YEEEOW!
OUCH!
AIIIII!
THE NEXT DAY...
THANKS FOR JUMPING IN FRONT OF THOSE BEES TO KEEP ME FROM GETTING STUNG YESTERDAY, NUMBUH FOUR. I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COMPETE IN THE SPELLING BEE TODAY IF THEY HAD GOTTEN ME!


I *DIDN'T* JUMP IN FRONT OF THE BEES! YOU LOCKED ME OUT OF THE TREEHOUSE BEFORE I COULD GET INSIDE!
OH...RIGHT. SORRY.
STILL, HAVE YOU NOTICED THAT WHENEVER *BEATRICE* IS AROUND, IT SEEMS THERE ARE AN AWFUL LOT OF BEES *SWARMING* ABOUT?
EVEN HER *NAME* REMINDS YOU OF THEM.
WHAT DOES *JONES* HAVE TO DO WITH BEES?
NOT HER *LAST* NAME! *BEE*-TRICE. GET IT?
HEEEEEY... YOU'RE RIGHT! IT'S *OBVIOUS* THAT BEATRICE IS REALLY THE *QUEEN* OF AN *ALIEN RACE* OF *SOOPER MUTANT KILLER BEES* THAT'S PLANNING ON TAKING OVER THE *WORLD* AND TURNING US ALL INTO HONEY-MAKING *SLAVES!*
ARE YOU SURE THOSE BEES DIDN'T STING YOU IN THE *BRAIN?*
I GOTTA GO! KEEP AN EYE ON BEATRICE TO MAKE SURE SHE DOESN'T TRY ANYTHING FUNNY!

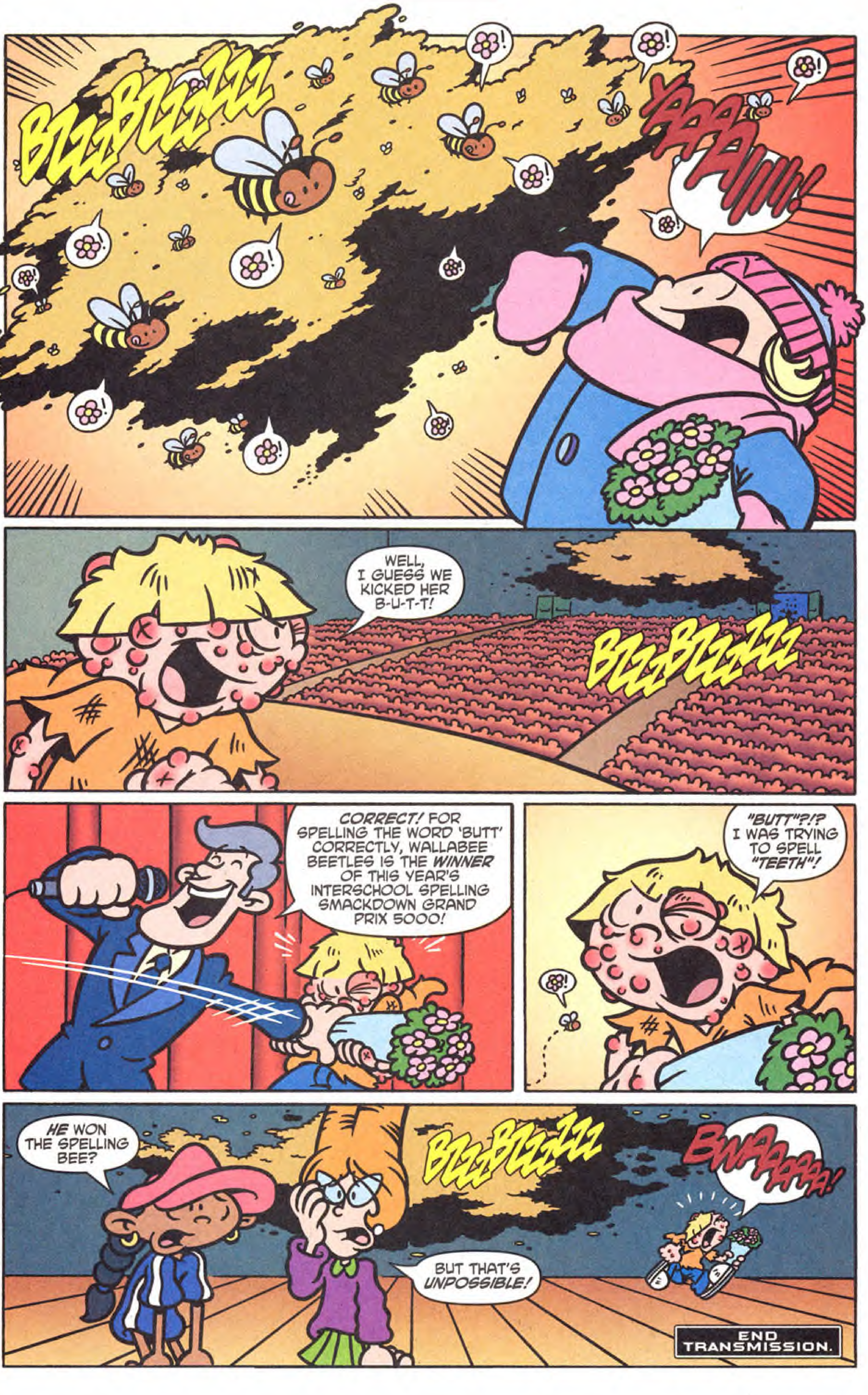

WHAHOOOO!
GO ABBY!
YAY!
AAAAAAAAND OUR NEXT SPELLING BEE CONTESTANT IS *ABIGAIL LINCOLN!*
JUDGES
OKAY, MISS LINCOLN. PLEASE CORRECTLY SPELL THE WORD *'FISHYOONANIMOSITY'!*
BZZZBZZZZZZ
AHEM... FISHYOONANIMOSITY. F-I-
BZZZBZZZZZZ
BZZZBZZZZZZ
WHAT TH-?
IS THERE A PROBLEM, MISS LINCOLN? PLEASE CONTINUE!
BZZZBZZZZZZ
UGH! STUPID BEES!
BZZZBZZZZZZ
I DON'T APPRECIATE YOU CALLING THE LETTER *'B'* STUPID, MISS LINCOLN. 'B' IS MY *FAVORITE* LETTER!
BZZZBZZZZZZ



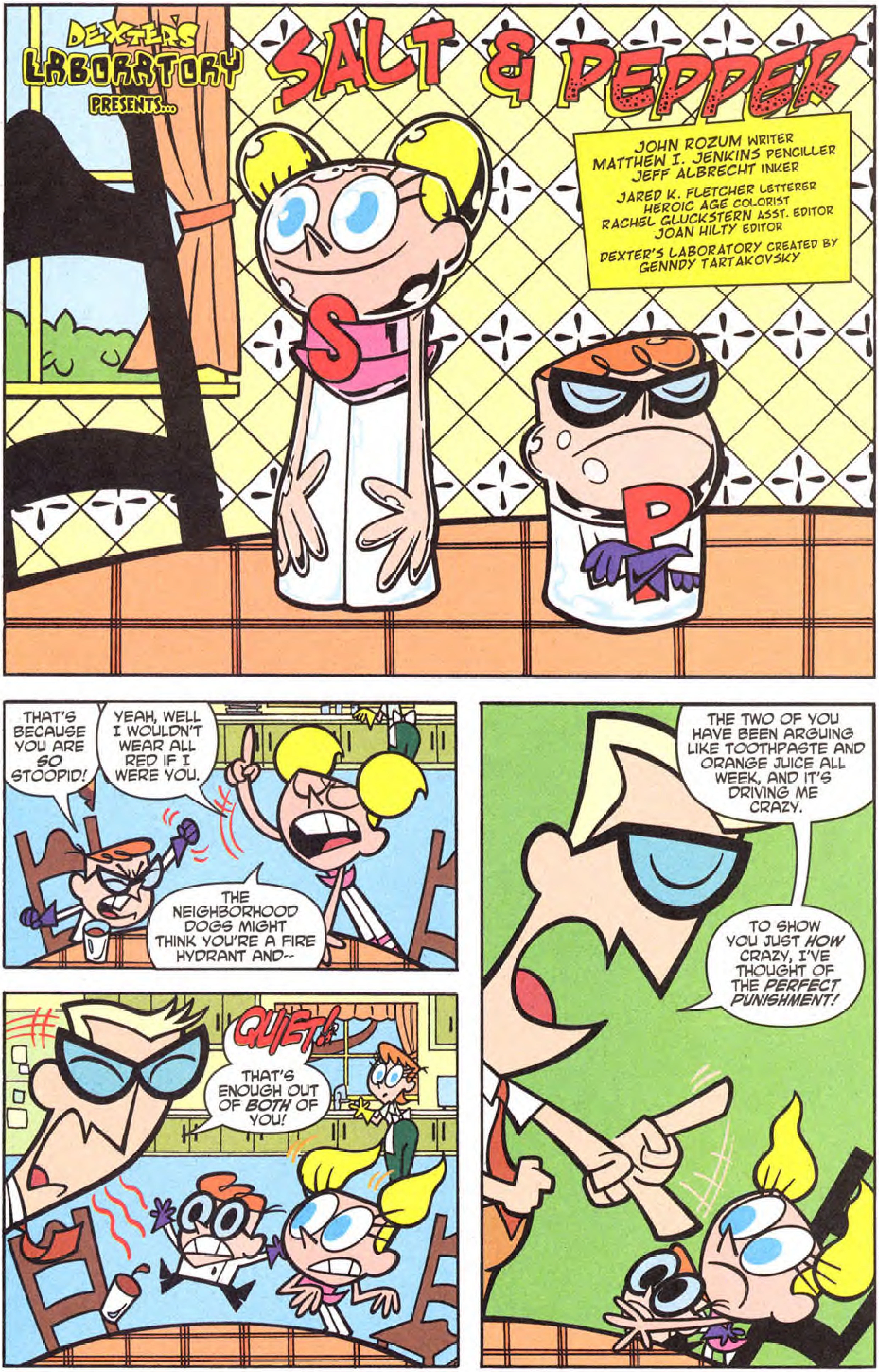
NO! IT'S NOT THAT! OW! IT'S THESE BEES!
HAWHAW HAWHAW!
GOTCHA, YOU EVIL MUTANT KILLER BEE QUEEN THING!
CALL OFF YOUR BEES BEFORE I STOMP THE HONEY OUT OF YA'! CALL 'EM OFF!
ARE YOU CRAZY?!? GET OFFA ME!
BUT IF THEY'RE NOT BEATRICE'S...
THEY'RE MINE!
AND ONCE MY BEES STING YOU ELEVENTY BILLION TIMES, YOU'LL BE TOO SWOLLEN TO COMPETE IN THE INTERSCHOOL SPELLING SMACKDOWN GRAND PRIX 5000, AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP...
BZZZBZZZZZZ



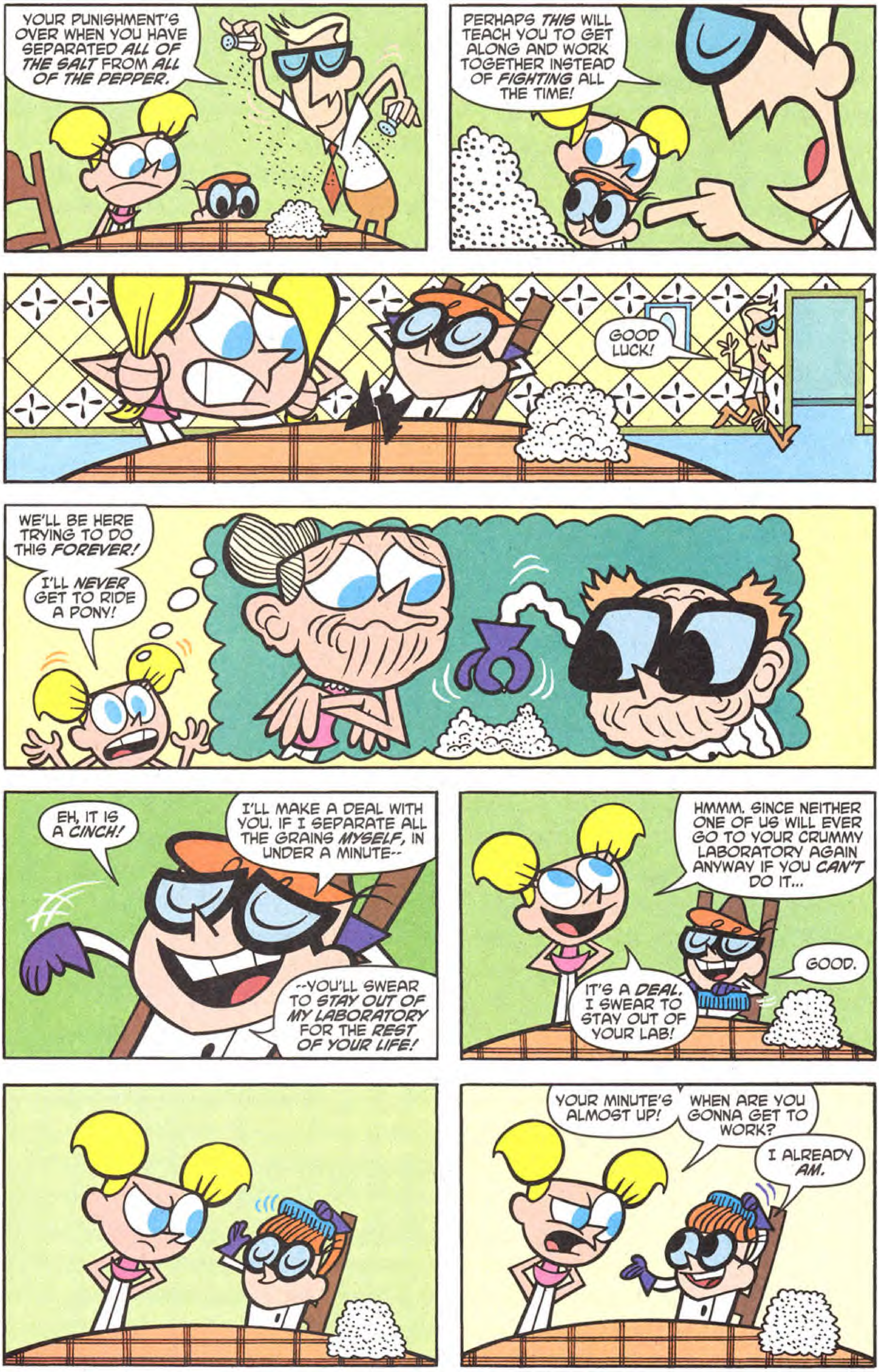
BZZZZZZ
...WILL BE MINE!
BWAAAAHAHAHA!
GIMME THOSE FLOWERS!
HEY! THOSE ARE FOR THE WINNER!
?
?
?
?
CONGRATULATIONS, COLLETTE. YOU WIN THE SPELLING BEE!
I DID?!? THAT'S GREAT! HOORAY FOR ME!
HEY, WAIT! I DIDN'T EVEN SPELL ANYTHING YE--



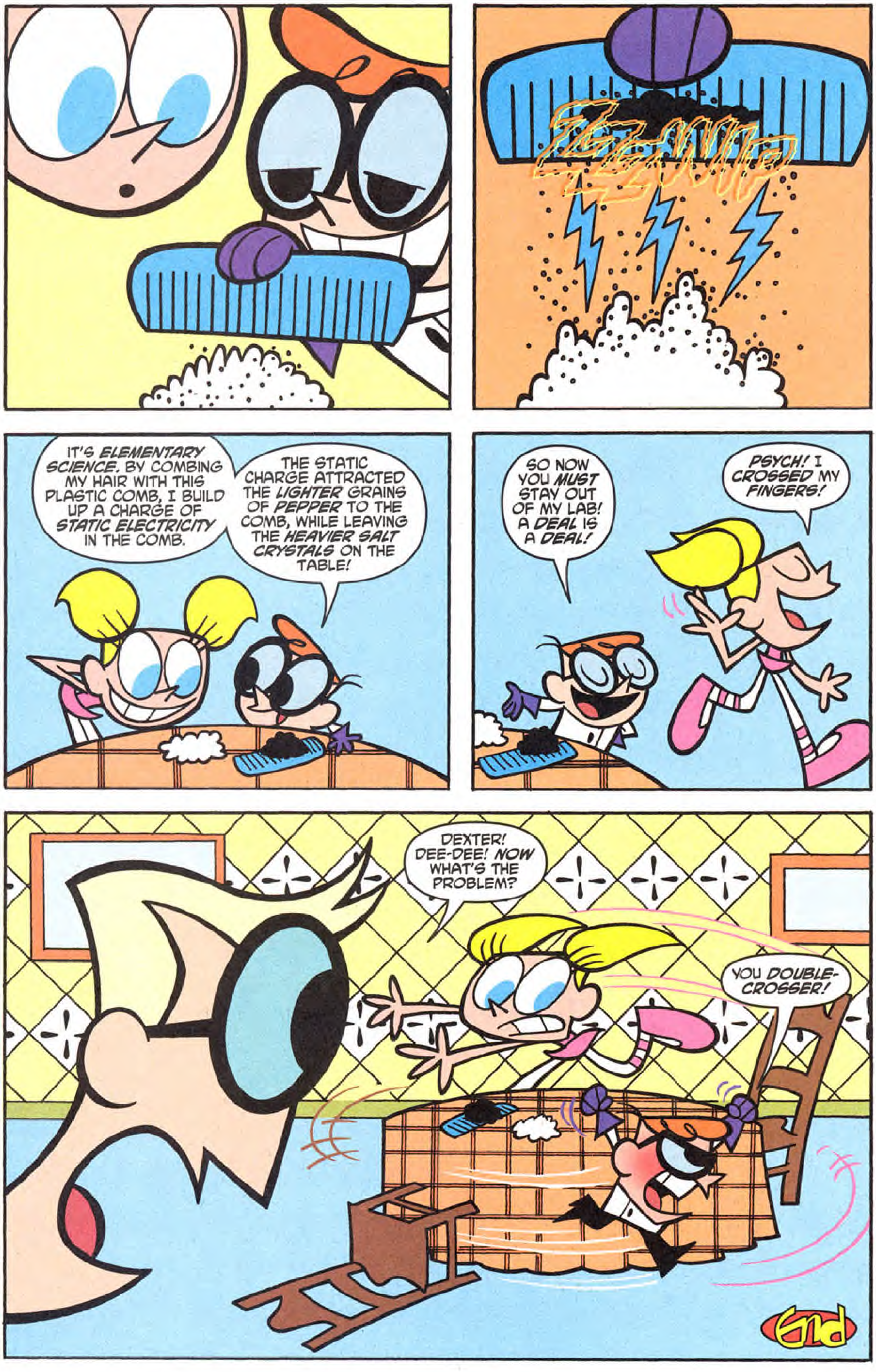
BZZZBZZZZZZ
YAAAAIIII!
WELL, I GUESS WE KICKED HER B-U-T-T!
BZZZBZZZZZZ
CORRECT! FOR SPELLING THE WORD 'BUTT' CORRECTLY, WALLABEE BEETLES IS THE WINNER OF THIS YEAR'S INTERSCHOOL SPELLING SMACKDOWN GRAND PRIX 5000!
"BUTT"?!? I WAS TRYING TO SPELL "TEETH"!
HE WON THE SPELLING BEE?
BZZZBZZZZZZ
BWAAAAAA!
BUT THAT'S UNPOSSIBLE!
END TRANSMISSION.

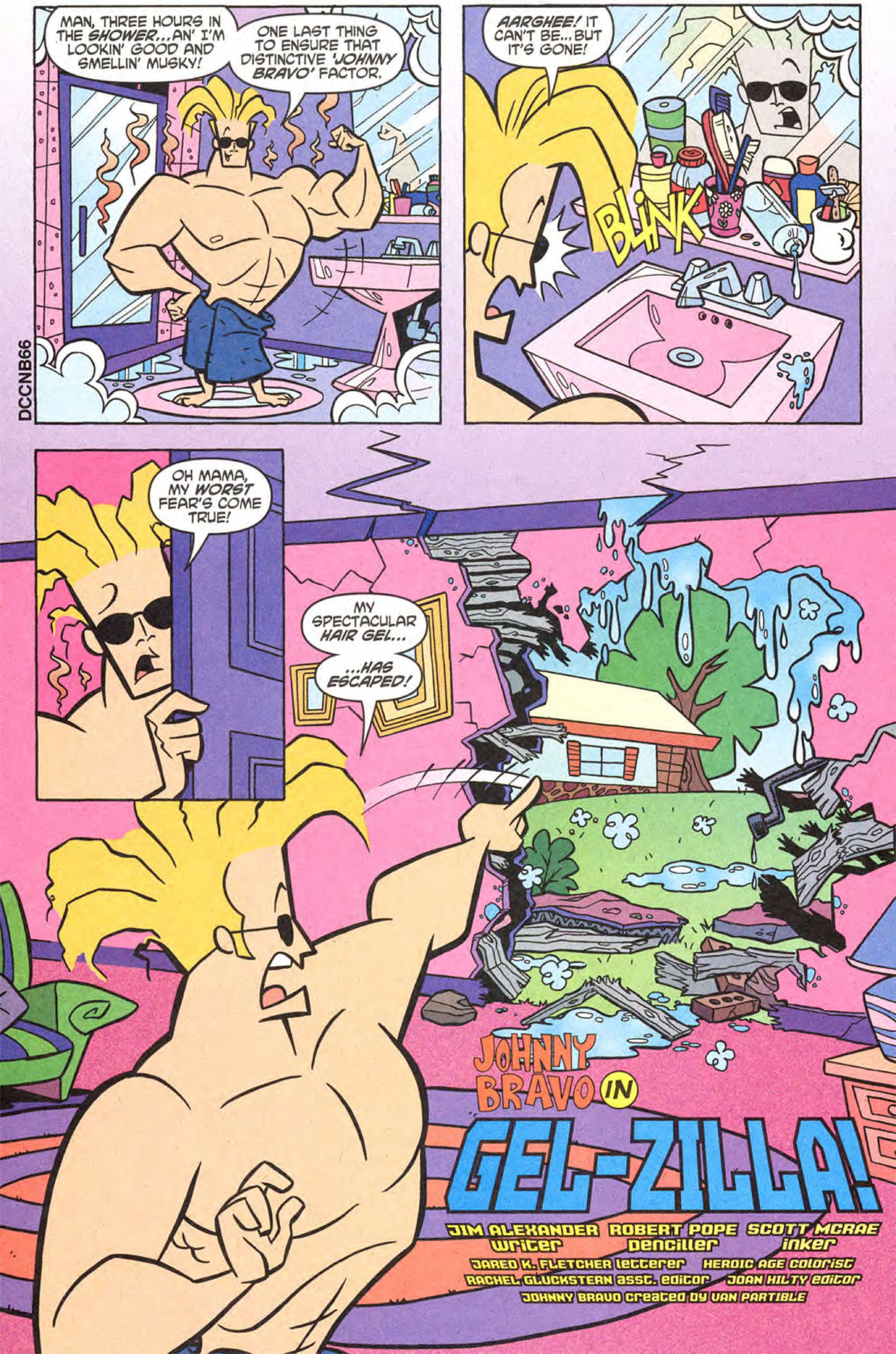


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DCCNB65
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU ARE SO STOOPID!
YEAH, WELL I WOULDN'T WEAR ALL RED IF I WERE YOU.
THE NEIGHBORHOOD DOGS MIGHT THINK YOU'RE A FIRE HYDRANT AND--
QUIET!
THAT'S ENOUGH OUT OF BOTH OF YOU!
THE TWO OF YOU HAVE BEEN ARGUING LIKE TOOTHPASTE AND ORANGE JUICE ALL WEEK, AND IT'S DRIVING ME CRAZY.
TO SHOW YOU JUST HOW CRAZY, I'VE THOUGHT OF THE PERFECT PUNISHMENT!



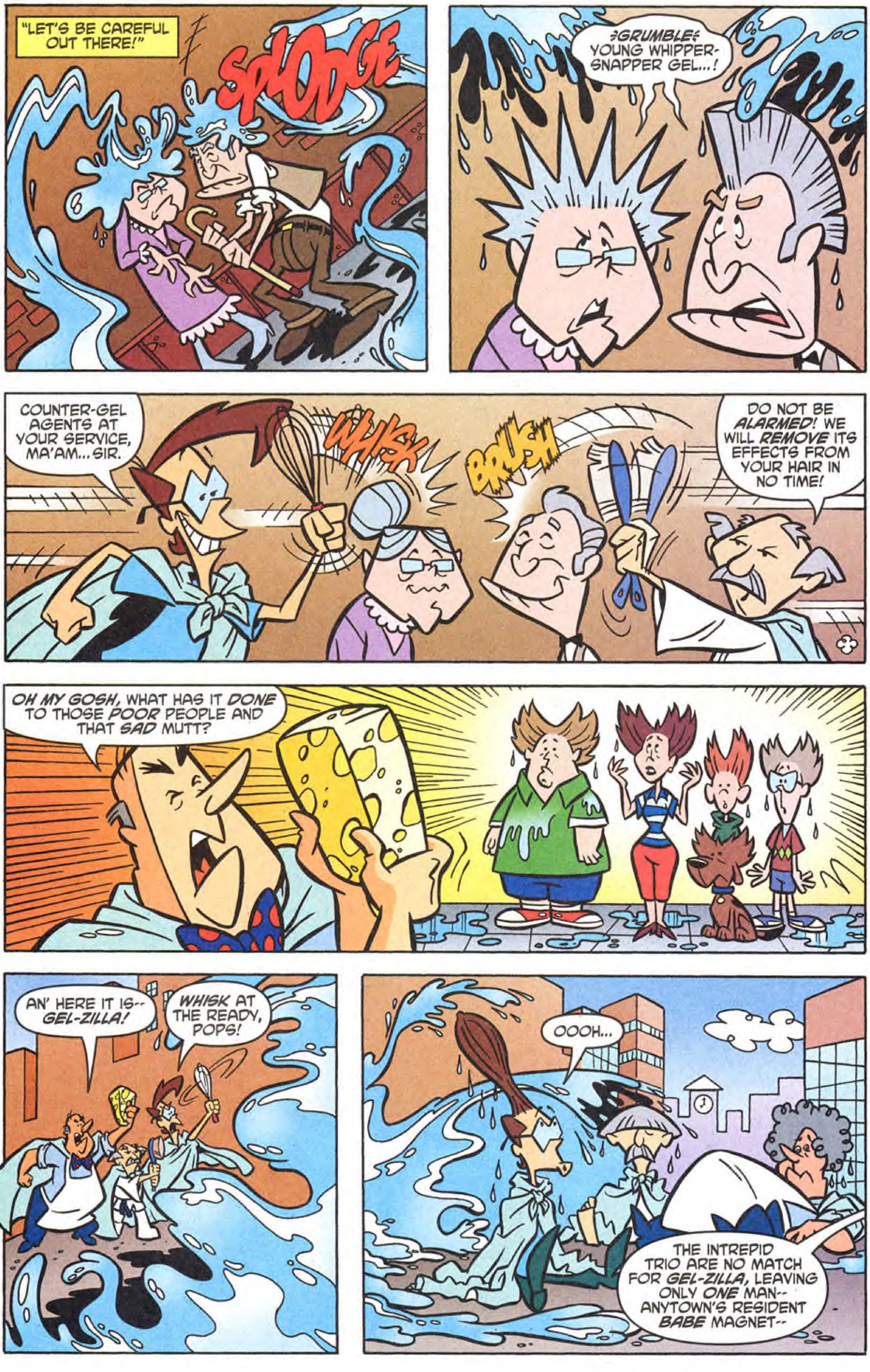
YOUR PUNISHMENT'S OVER WHEN YOU HAVE SEPARATED *ALL OF THE SALT* FROM *ALL OF THE PEPPER.*
PERHAPS *THIS* WILL TEACH YOU TO GET ALONG AND WORK TOGETHER INSTEAD OF *FIGHTING* ALL THE TIME!
GOOD LUCK!
WE'LL BE HERE TRYING TO DO THIS *FOREVER!*
I'LL *NEVER* GET TO RIDE A PONY!
EH, IT IS A *CINCH!*
I'LL MAKE A DEAL WITH YOU. IF I SEPARATE ALL THE GRAINS *MYSELF,* IN UNDER A MINUTE--
--YOU'LL SWEAR TO *STAY OUT OF MY LABORATORY* FOR THE *REST OF YOUR LIFE!*
HMMM. SINCE NEITHER ONE OF US WILL EVER GO TO YOUR CRUMMY LABORATORY AGAIN ANYWAY IF YOU *CAN'T* DO IT...
IT'S A *DEAL.* I SWEAR TO STAY OUT OF YOUR LAB!
GOOD.
YOUR MINUTE'S ALMOST UP!
WHEN ARE YOU GONNA GET TO WORK?
I ALREADY *AM.*


ZZZWIP
IT'S ELEMENTARY SCIENCE. BY COMBING MY HAIR WITH THIS PLASTIC COMB, I BUILD UP A CHARGE OF STATIC ELECTRICITY IN THE COMB.
THE STATIC CHARGE ATTRACTED THE LIGHTER GRAINS OF PEPPER TO THE COMB, WHILE LEAVING THE HEAVIER SALT CRYSTALS ON THE TABLE!
SO NOW YOU MUST STAY OUT OF MY LAB! A DEAL IS A DEAL!
PSYCH! I CROSSED MY FINGERS!
DEXTER! DEE-DEE! NOW WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?
YOU DOUBLE-CROSSER!
End



MAN, THREE HOURS IN THE SHOWER...AN' I'M LOOKIN' GOOD AND SMELLIN' MUSKY!
ONE LAST THING TO ENSURE THAT DISTINCTIVE 'JOHNNY BRAVO' FACTOR.
DCCNB66
AARGHEE! IT CAN'T BE...BUT IT'S GONE!
BLINK
OH MAMA, MY WORST FEAR'S COME TRUE!
MY SPECTACULAR HAIR GEL...
...HAS ESCAPED!
JOHNNY BRAVO IN
GEL-ZILLA!
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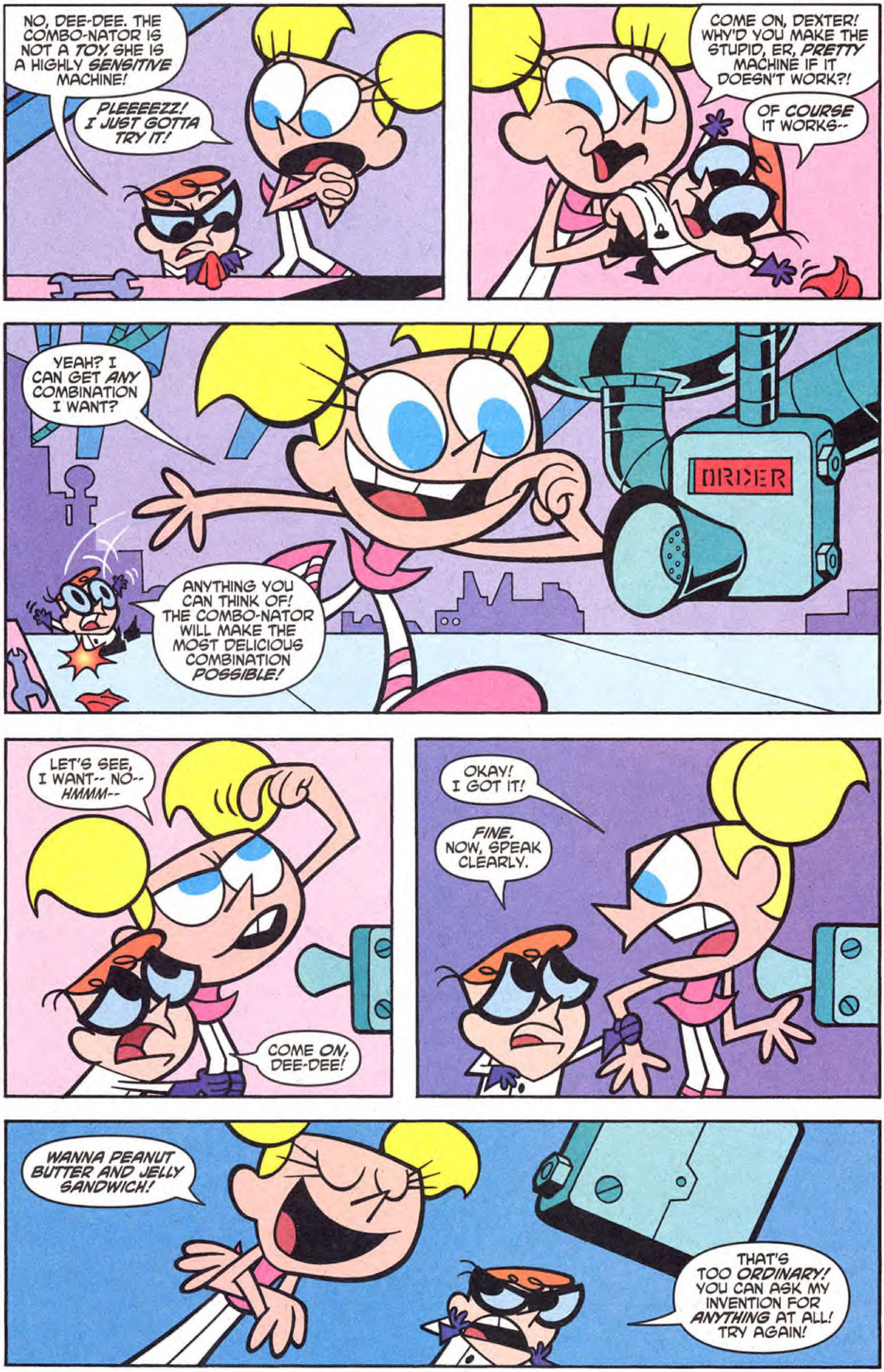

"THE GEL IS ON THE LOOSE, GROWIN' BIGGER BY THE SECOND!
SPLOOOSH!
"MAKE NO MISTAKE--GEL-ZILLA WILL SEIZE ANY HAIR IN ITS SLIPPY, SLIMY PATH!
"LEAVING OUT OF CONTROL HAIRSTYLES IN ITS WAKE! YOIKS!"
THIS IS WHY I'VE CALLED YOU ALL HERE, PEOPLE.
CARL, POPS, MASTER HONG--WE GOTTA FIGHT THIS MENACE AN' SHOW GEL-ZILLA THE WAY HOME!
HI-YA! HO-HA!

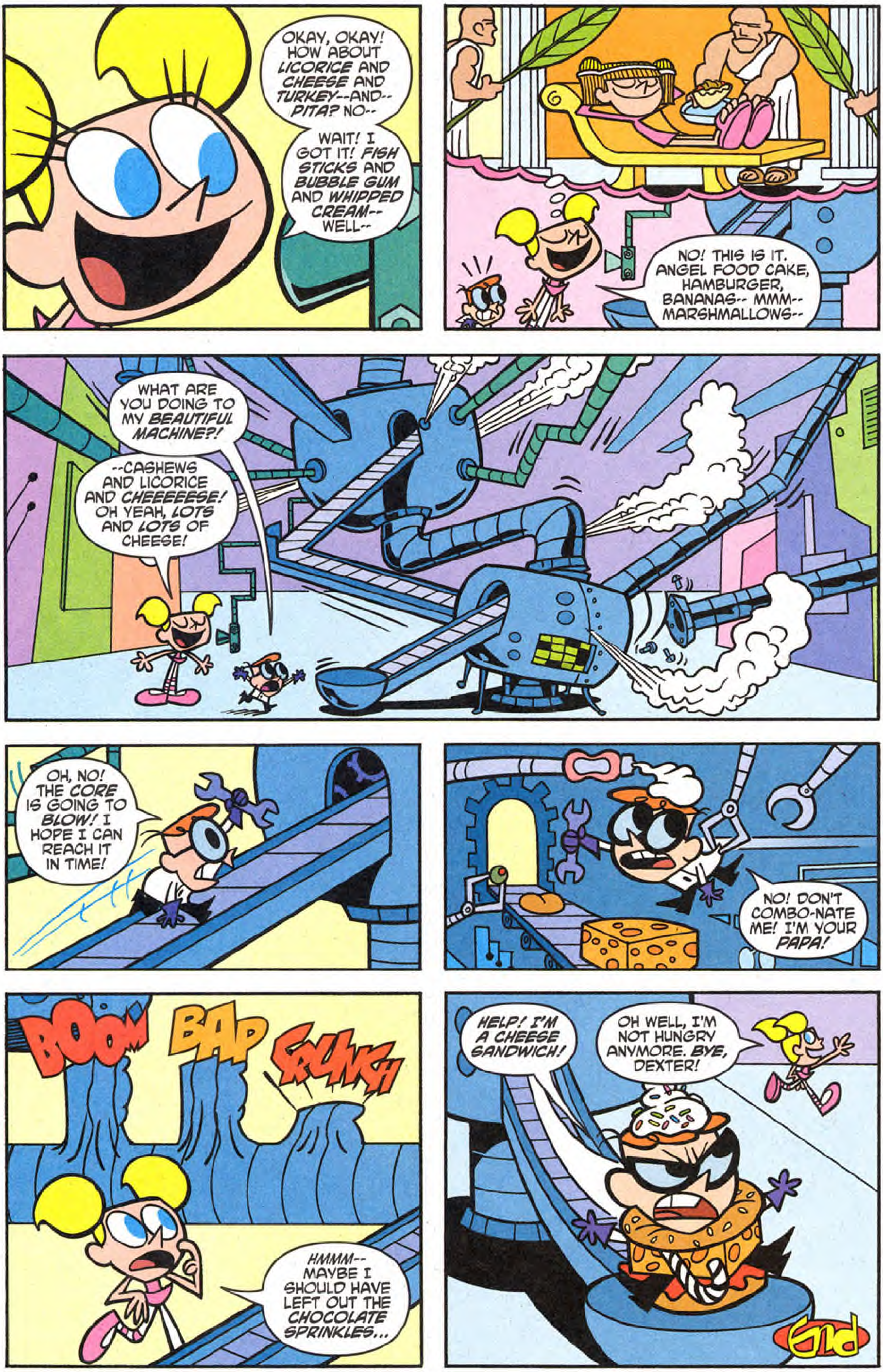

"LET'S BE CAREFUL OUT THERE!"
SPLODGE
≥GRUMBLE≤ YOUNG WHIPPER-SNAPPER GEL...!
COUNTER-GEL AGENTS AT YOUR SERVICE, MA'AM... SIR.
WHISK
BRUSH
DO NOT BE ALARMED! WE WILL REMOVE ITS EFFECTS FROM YOUR HAIR IN NO TIME!
OH MY GOSH, WHAT HAS IT DONE TO THOSE POOR PEOPLE AND THAT SAD MUTT?
AN' HERE IT IS-- GEL-ZILLA!
WHISK AT THE READY, POPS!
OOOH...
THE INTREPID TRIO ARE NO MATCH FOR GEL-ZILLA, LEAVING ONLY ONE MAN-- ANYTOWN'S RESIDENT BABE MAGNET--

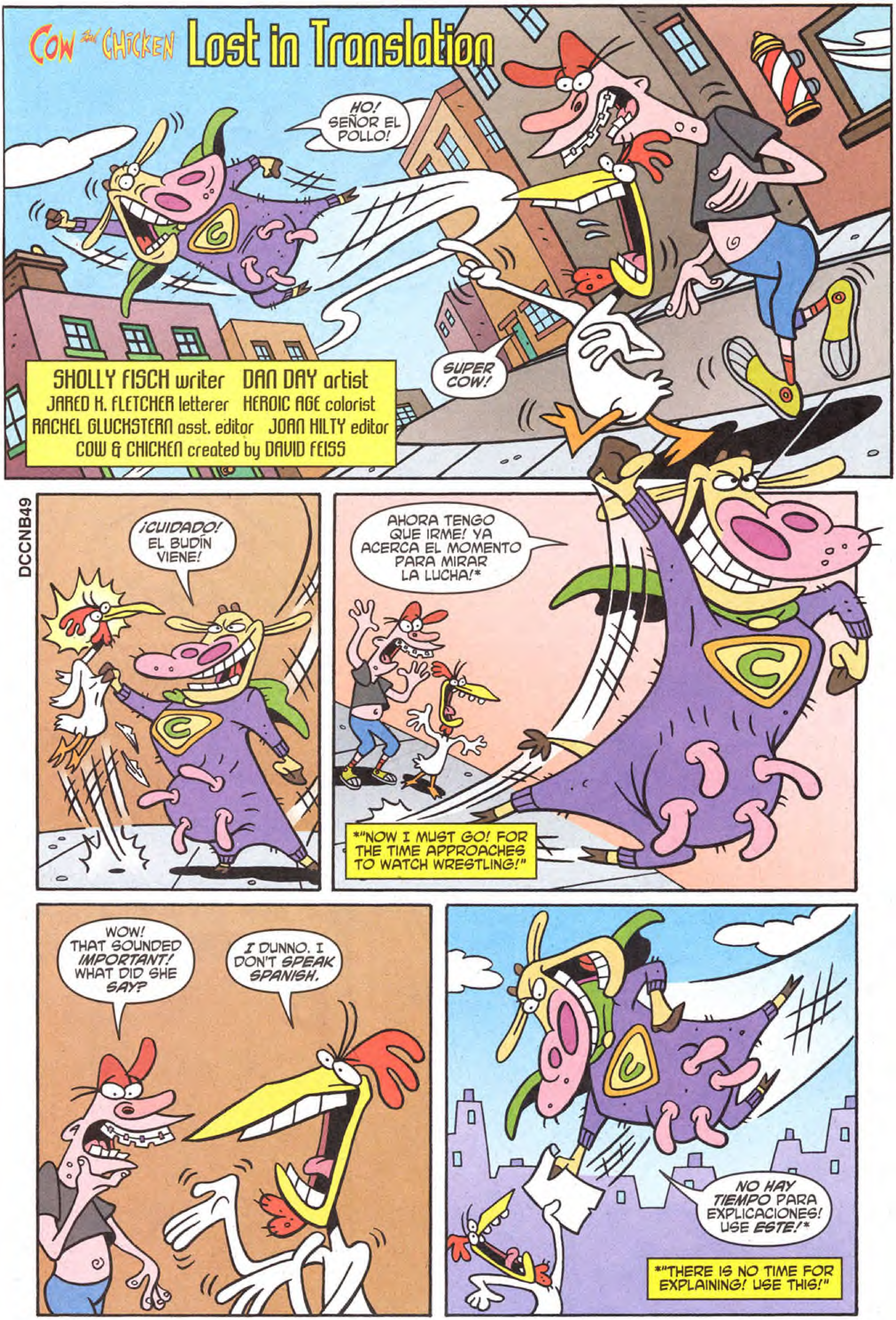

--WHO CAN STOP THE BIG SLURRY BLOB OF GLOBNESS...
...THAT'LL BE ME, JOHNNY BRAVO!
GOTTA STAND UP AN' BE COUNTED!
SPLUT
NO MATTER HOW SHINY OR SLICK...
SPLURGE
...GOTTA TAKE IT ON THE CHIN-- SORRY, HAIR-- AN' ABSORB GEL-ZILLA!
LATER.
MOMMY, WHERE DID THE NEW SIDEWALK COME FROM?
EH?
YOU COULD SAY I OVERDID THE HAIR GEL!
WHATEVER.
End



DCCNB67
OH YES! THIS IS THE *BEST* INVENTION I'VE COME UP WITH IN *DAYS!*
DUM-DEE DUMMM-DEEEE-DOOO... HEY, DEX-TER!
LEAVE ME *ALONE,* DEE-DEE.
HMMM--*SHINY!* WHAT'S THIS DEXTER?
WELL IF YOU MUST KNOW, I'LL TELL YOU--
THIS IS THE... SUPER FANTASTIC, ULTRA MODERN COMBO-NATOR!
IT COMBINES MULTITUDES OF DIFFERENT FOODS IN UNUSUAL, BUT TASTY WAYS!
DEXTER'S LABORATORY PRESENTS...
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THAT SOUNDS *DEEEELICIOUS!* LEMME TRY! *PLEASE?*


NO, DEE-DEE. THE COMBO-NATOR IS NOT A TOY. SHE IS A HIGHLY SENSITIVE MACHINE!
PLEEEEZZ! I JUST GOTTA TRY IT!
COME ON, DEXTER! WHY'D YOU MAKE THE STUPID, ER, PRETTY MACHINE IF IT DOESN'T WORK?!
OF COURSE IT WORKS--
YEAH? I CAN GET ANY COMBINATION I WANT?
ORDER
ANYTHING YOU CAN THINK OF! THE COMBO-NATOR WILL MAKE THE MOST DELICIOUS COMBINATION POSSIBLE!
LET'S SEE, I WANT-- NO-- HMMM--
COME ON, DEE-DEE!
OKAY! I GOT IT!
FINE. NOW, SPEAK CLEARLY.
WANNA PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY SANDWICH!
THAT'S TOO ORDINARY! YOU CAN ASK MY INVENTION FOR ANYTHING AT ALL! TRY AGAIN!


OKAY, OKAY! HOW ABOUT LICORICE AND CHEESE AND TURKEY--AND-- PITA? NO--
WAIT! I GOT IT! FISH STICKS AND BUBBLE GUM AND WHIPPED CREAM-- WELL--
NO! THIS IS IT. ANGEL FOOD CAKE, HAMBURGER, BANANAS-- MMM-- MARSHMALLOWS--
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO MY BEAUTIFUL MACHINE?!
--CASHEWS AND LICORICE AND CHEEEEEESE! OH YEAH, LOTS AND LOTS OF CHEESE!
OH, NO! THE CORE IS GOING TO BLOW! I HOPE I CAN REACH IT IN TIME!
NO! DON'T COMBO-NATE ME! I'M YOUR PAPA!
BOOM
BAP
SCRUNCH
HMMM-- MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE LEFT OUT THE CHOCOLATE SPRINKLES...
HELP! I'M A CHEESE SANDWICH!
OH WELL, I'M NOT HUNGRY ANYMORE. BYE, DEXTER!
End


COW and CHICKEN Lost in Translation
HO! SEÑOR EL POLLO!
SUPER COW!
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DCCNB49
¡CUIDADO! EL BUDÍN VIENE!
AHORA TENGO QUE IRME! YA ACERCA EL MOMENTO PARA MIRAR LA LUCHA!*
*"NOW I MUST GO! FOR THE TIME APPROACHES TO WATCH WRESTLING!"
WOW! THAT SOUNDED IMPORTANT! WHAT DID SHE SAY?
I DUNNO. I DON'T SPEAK SPANISH.
NO HAY TIEMPO PARA EXPLICACIONES! USE ESTE!*
*"THERE IS NO TIME FOR EXPLAINING! USE THIS!"



IT'S A GLOSSARY!
HMM... "CUIDADO, EL BUDÍN VIENE"...
ACAMPANADO = BELL-SHAPED
BALLENA = WHALE
BAÑO = BATHROOM
BUDÍN = PUDDING
CUIDADO = BEWARE
DUENDE = GOBLIN
EL = THE
FUEGO = FIRE
GIGANTE = GIANT
HADA MADRINA = FAIRY GODMOTHER
LOCO = CRAZY
MAÑANA = TOMORROW
MOLESTE = DISTURB
OLER = TO SMELL
PARAGUAS = UMBRELLA
POLLO = CHICKEN
SEÑOR = MISTER
VIENE = COMES
VIOLINISTA = VIOLINIST
ZAPATEADO = TAP DANCE
HEY, GANG! USE THE GLOSSARY TO FIGURE OUT SUPER COW'S MESSAGE BEFORE DISASTER STRIKES!
HUH? IT DON'T EVEN MAKE SENSE!
"BEWARE, DA--"
SPLAT
GLOPP-O PUDDING CO.
OH.
"BEWARE. DA PUDDING COMES."
End

Send your letters today!

Johnny DC says: Let the mail begin!





[DRAWING BY NADIJA HUNT]

Dear Johnny DC,

I just wanted to say I really admire your work. I hope to become a comic writer like you.

Sarah Sparhawk, age 11
Lakewood, Colorado

Here you are, published in a comic book, so that's a start! There's no trick to writing -- just read a lot and write a lot. Take advantage of creative writing classes and assignments at school. Photocopy what you write and show it around. Have fun! Then, when you're older, you'll have experience and feel confident.
– Johnny DC



["BLUE-STAR" BY RACHEL HEIMBERGER]

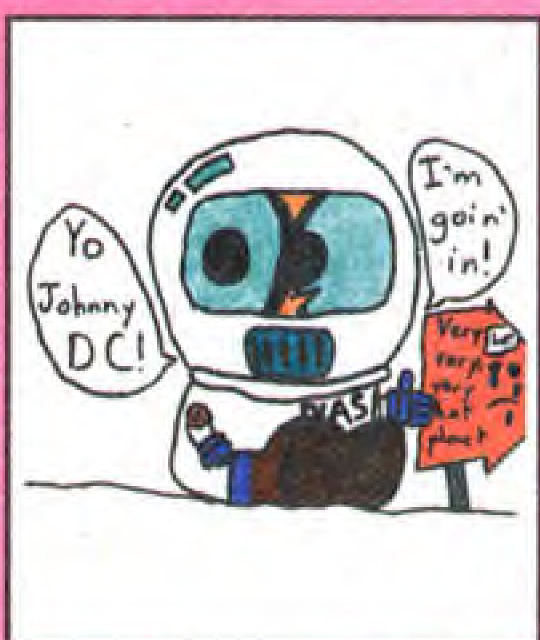
Dear Johnny dude,

Hey! I've been reading your comics for quite a while and I have some questions for you:

* Why does Billy look different in THE GRIM ADVENTURES OF BILLY AND MANDY? (He has different hair.)
* How can I buy comics individually? (They come in packs like episodes 1-10.)
* When is the new comic SWAN going to come out? I have not seen it in stores yet...

Stephen Choi
McLean, Virginia

When did you see Billy's hair, Stephen? Doesn't he wear a baseball cap over his pointy head most of the time? Volumes 1 to 3 of SWAN are already out, with volume 4 due in August. It sounds like your store doesn't offer many choices. If you have permission to use the Internet, go to DCCOMICS.COM, click on "find comics shops," and type your ZIP Code to find three shops close by. At a comic book shop, you can find SWAN, comics sold individually, graphic novels, new titles, and more eye-opening choices than you'll know what to do with.
Good luck!
– Johnny DC



[DRAWING BY STEPHEN CHOI]

**** NEW KIDS AT THE BLOCK PARTY ****
A couple of issues ago, you guys brought some guests and new faces here to the CARTOON NETWORK BLOCK PARTY letter column. Well, the guys you drew turned out to play well with others and they didn't eat too much (just a lot). So I figured, why not invite some more?

Nadija Hunt drew the flashy team at the top of the page. Nadija is soon to be six years old and comes from Robbinsdale, Minnesota.

Rachel Heimberger, age 8, created BLUE-STAR in the next drawing. She's from Hagerstown, Maryland (Rachel is, not Blue-Star.)

Gabby Parker drew her favorite "rock star" (age 4, Statesville, North Carolina).



[DRAWING BY GABBY PARKER]



Persephone is also age 8, lives in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, and didn't include her last name.



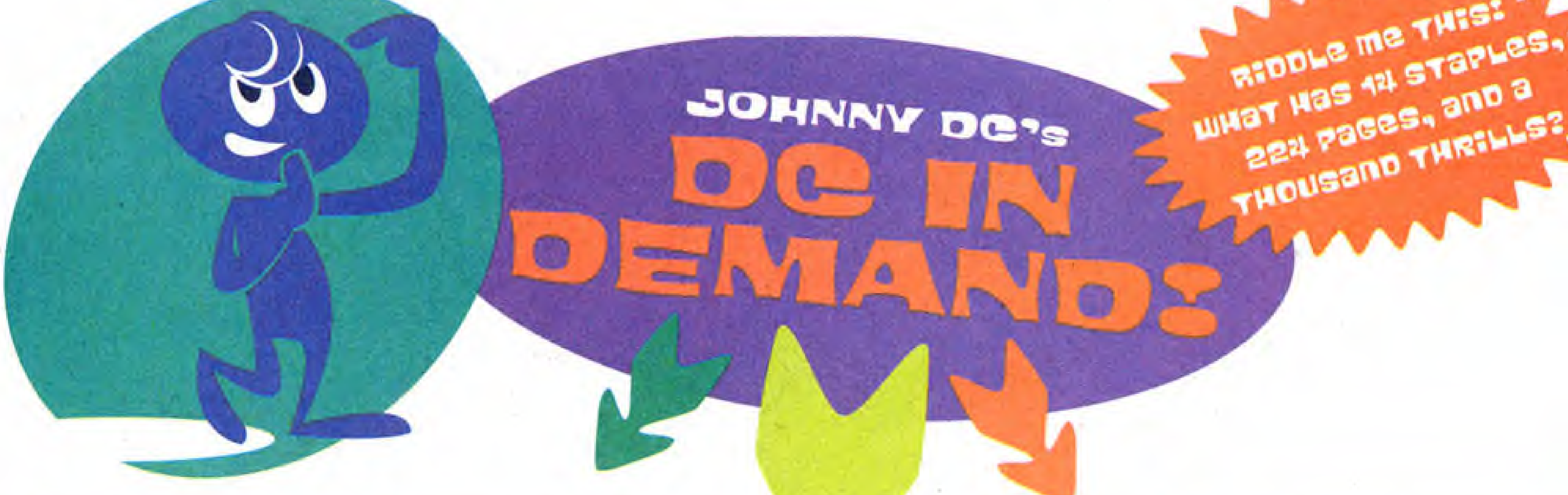
[DRAWING BY PERSEPHONE]

And finally, just below is an alien princess by Wynona Meyer (age 6, Brattleboro, Vermont). Thanks, everyone, for the color, courage, and creativity you bring to this page!
– Johnny DC



[DRAWING BY WYNONA MEYER]

Send YOUR stuff!
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Beast Boy unleashes a horrible creature in Raven's room. Meanwhile, Robin comes face-to-face with Slade!



JUSTICE LEAGUE UNLIMITED #12
When Mirror Master traps the Flash, it's up to Jay Garrick – the original Flash -- to save the day!



CARTOON NETWORK BLOCK PARTY #12
The Kids Next Door are all abuzz over the spelling bee – but Queen Bee has a sting!



LOONEY TUNES #129
Court jesters Bugs and Daffy compete for laughs at swordpoint!



THE BATMAN STRIKES! #12
Bane wants payback on the scientist who made him a monster! It'll take The Batman to stop him!



POWERPUFF GIRLS #65
Meet the Micro-Puffs! Mysterious miniature versions of the Girls have come to Townsville. Are they friends or foes?



SCOOBY-DOO #99
The Mystery Inc. gang finds a legendary sunken treasure and awakens its ancient uncivilized guardian!



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